

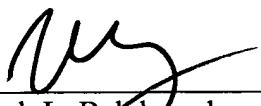
REMARKS

Prior to entry of this Amendment, claims 1-27 were pending in this application. Claims 3 and 4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1-5 and 19-22 stand rejected as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,629,487 to Mucke *et al.* (hereinafter "Mucke") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,089,741 to Park *et al.* (hereinafter "Park"). Claims 1-10 and 16-24 stand rejected as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Mucke in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,553,801 to Lee (hereinafter "Lee") and Park, or Lee in view of Mucke and Park. Claims 6-10 and 16-18 stand rejected as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 6,325,322 to Lewis (hereinafter "Lewis") in view of Mucke, Lee, and Park. The remaining claims are allowed.

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's conclusion that claims 11-15, and 25-27 contain allowable subject matter. Without acquiescing to the above rejections of claims 1-10 and 16-24, Applicants hereby cancel the rejected claims without prejudice, and without any intention of abandoning the subject matter of these claims. Applicants intend to pursue the rejected claims in a related application.

Applicants submit that, in light of the foregoing amendments, all pending claims are now in condition for allowance, and respectfully request that the application expeditiously proceed to issue.

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